IN RE THE POLK COUNTY CLERK OF COURT AND SUPERVISORS DESIGNATION BY THE CHIEF JUDGE TO EXCEPT CERTAIN FILERS FROM THE ELECTRONIC DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (EDMS) PURSUANT TO IOWA RULE OF COURT 16.302(2)

## **ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 2013-5**

WHEREAS the Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) governed by Chapter 16 of the Iowa Rules of Court began implementation by case type in Polk County starting with Small Claims on Tuesday, January 15, 2013; and Iowa Court Rule 16.302(2) provides:

**Exceptions**. For good cause, the court, or clerk if no judge is available, may authorize a filer to submit a document by nonelectronic means to the clerk for filing. Upon a showing of exceptional circumstances that it is not feasible for a party to file documents by electronic means, the chief judge of the district in which a case is pending or the chief judge's designee may excuse the party from registering to participate in the electronic filing system for purposes of that case.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED for good cause shown during court proceedings, a judge may authorize a filer to submit a document by non-electronic means for filing with the Clerk of Court. However, outside of court proceedings, a judge will not be available due to other judicial duties. Outside of court proceedings, the Polk County Clerk of Court, Deputy Clerk of Court, Compliance/Training Coordinator and Trial Court Supervisors within their divisional responsibilities may, for good cause shown, authorize a filer to submit a document by non-electronic means to the Clerk for filing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Polk County Clerk of Court, Deputy Polk County Clerk of Court, Compliance/Training Coordinator and the Trial Court Supervisors within their divisional responsibilities are hereby designated by the Chief Judge of the Fifth Judicial District to consider requests by a party to be excused from registering to participate in the EDMS system on a case by case basis. A party requesting an

exception must show exceptional circumstances that it is not feasible for that party to file documents by electronic means. In cases where such feasibility is not readily apparent, the designee shall consult with the Chief Judge or District Court Administrator.

DATED this /g day of January, 2013

ARTHUR E. GAMBLE, CHIEF JUDGE FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF IOWA

Cc: Randy Osborn, Polk County Clerk of Court

Cindy Johnson, Deputy Polk County Clerk of Court

Joshua Miller, Compliance/Training Coordinator, Polk County Clerk of Court's Office

All Polk County Clerk's Office Trial Court Supervisors

Elizabeth Baldwin, District Court Administrator

Anne Sheeley and Billie Ramey, Assistant DCA's

All Polk County District Court Judges

All Polk County District Associate Court Judges

All Polk County Magistrates

All Polk County Court Attendants/Judicial Assistants

All Polk County Court Reporters

All Fifth District Case Coordinators

All Fifth District Law Clerks

Justice David Wiggins, Supreme Court Liaison to the Fifth Judicial District

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